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GI Weekly Toll Is 109 As War Lull Continues

SAIGON, Oct. 31 (AP) — American combat casualties in the Vietnam War last week were up slightly over the previous week's figure, which was the lowest toll in more than 14 months.

The U.S. Command's weekly casualty report today showed a decline in the number of enemy killed. However, last week's total will probably be revised upward as more reports come in.

The number of South Vietnamese combat fatalities was the lowest since the week of Oct. 21, 1967, when 82 deaths were reported.

Since the start of current fighting lull five weeks ago, U.S. combat deaths have averaged 165 a week. During the prior 38 reporting periods of this year, the average was 312.

[The Pentagon reported that 55 American servicemen died of accidents and other circumstances not attributed to enemy action last week in Vietnam. The total of nonhostile deaths now stands at 4769].

Following are allied and Communist casualties for the last two weeks:

	DEAD		WOUNDED	
	Oct. 25	Oct. 17	Oct. 25	Oct. 17
U.S.	109	100	717	589
South Vietnamese	103	132	578	624
Communist*	1289	1440#	—	—

*U.S. Command's figures. #Revised upward.——not compiled.